

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 394
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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Coach Barry Wortman and the 1995-1996 Hickman County High School girls' basketball team on an outstanding season.

WHEREAS, with exceptional poise, exemplary determination, and great skill, the tremendous 1995-1996 Hickman County High School girls' basketball team has recently completed one of their best seasons ever, reaching the coveted Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association Class AA State Tournament; and

WHEREAS, tradition-laden Hickman County won the regular season District 9 AA title, with a sparkling 11-1 record; and

WHEREAS, the Bulldogs also won the coveted Brentwood Rotary Invitational, with impressive victories against David Lipscomb 47-44, Coffee County 62-56 and Clarkrange 43-36; and

WHEREAS, they then took on District 9 AA Tournament competition and won the district championship, beating Loretto 61-50 and Marshall County 64-55; and

WHEREAS, this memorable team next won the Region 5 AA Tournament by defeating Westmoreland 77-45, Loretto 66-45 and Marshall County 40-30; and

WHEREAS, the tenacious Bulldogs then beat Brentwood Academy 55-45 in the substate to reach the state tournament; and

WHEREAS, they finished the season with an enviable record of 30-2, a winning percentage of .940; and

WHEREAS, the Bulldogs also had a rare 29-game winning streak; and

WHEREAS, Hickman County was ranked as high as 7th best in the nation by the prestigious *USA Today* poll; and

WHEREAS, **Coach Barry Wortman** and his capable staff, including **Assistant Coach Jan Brewer** and **Assistant Coach Misty Shelton**, have done an excellent job carefully preparing the team for the rigors of championship play; and

WHEREAS, Coach Wortman praised his team by stating "This team has a great amount of work ethic. They've gone extremely hard from the pre-season conditioning all the way through. They've done the little things in paying attention to detail and making that a priority."; and

WHEREAS, the team leaders were junior guard **Becky Myatt**, a finalist for the TSSAA Gill Gideon Miss Basketball Award, Associated Press First Team All-State, All-State Tournament, Region 5 AA Tournament Most Valuable Player, District 9 AA All-Tournament and Brentwood Rotary Invitational All-Tournament; sophomore center **Talisha Scales**, Honorable Mention Associated Press All-State, Region 5 AA All-Tournament and District 9 AA All-Tournament; senior point guard **Amanda Mathis**, Region 5 AA All-Tournament and Brentwood Rotary Invitational All-Tournament; and junior guard **Emily Vincent**, Region 5 AA All-Tournament and District 9 AA All-Tournament; and

WHEREAS, the other members of this talented team, senior **Celena Atkinson**; juniors **Amanda Judd** and **Eugenia McClain**; and sophomores **Heidi McDonald**, **Brandi Jimerson**, **Jennifer Dick**, **Jenny Powers**, **Cassidy Jenkins** and **Nakita Collins**, have made a major contribution to the success of the team; and

WHEREAS, the hard-working managers were **Mandy Thomas** and **Brian Johnson**; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we pause to recognize and commemorate this special team on their many accomplishments; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we honor and congratulate Coach Barry Wortman and the 1995-1996 Hickman County girls' basketball team on reaching the TSSAA Class AA State Tournament and for their outstanding season.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That appropriate copies of this resolution be prepared for presentation to the school and each person named above, with this final clause omitted from such copies.

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